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Applicant: Melissa D. Boyd et al.

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Title: PLATFORM INCLUDING FLUID MANIFOLD FOR MULTIPLE FLUID  
EJECTION DEVICES

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment and Response is in reply to the Final Office Action mailed January 11, 2006. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment and is proposing this Amendment to place the application in a condition for allowance. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: